MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF HUNTER HELD ON TUESDAY, APRIL 25, 2023, AT 7:00 PM AT THE TOWN HALL LOCATED ON RTE. 23A IN TANNERSVILLE, NEW YORK.

Present: Sean Mahoney Supervisor

David Kukle Councilman
Raymond Legg Councilman
Ernest Reale Councilman
Dolph Semenza Councilman

Corina Pascucci Town Clerk

Others Present: Lara Hamrah-Poladian Secretary to the Supervisor

Robert Blain Superintendent of Highways

John G. Farrell
Venessa Richards
Sarah Pellizzari
Sgt. Robert Haines
Highway Department
Ambulance Administrator
Code Enforcement Officer
Hunter Police Department

Jason Kovacs Town Attorney

MINUTES

Councilman Semenza makes a MOTION to approve minutes of Regular Meeting.3/28, Workshop 3/14, 4/11 Special Meeting 3/21 and Public Hearing 3/28. Seconded by Councilman Legg.

Ayes -5- Noes -0-

POLICE-Monthly report acknowledged.

Town of Hunter Police Department

Monthly Report March 2023

Calls for service: 91 Arrests made: 5 6 Criminal charges levied: Criminal complaints: 9 Non-criminal complaints: 48 Assists to other agencies: 24 Uniform traffic tickets: 32 Parking tickets: 1 Accidents investigated: 7 Report requests: 4 = \$30

PARKING/IMPOUND LOT

Discussion was held on parking issues these past two weekends on Schutt Rd., Laurel House Rd and North Lake Rd., which forced some road closures. Sgt. Haines encourages the Highway Department to get the impound lot running by 5/15 or earlier.

R. Blain states he will do his best as the highway department is working on getting the back mountain open.

It was determined that the work on the cell tower will not affect the impound lot as the lot is only operational on weekends.

It is decided that additional signage is needed to alert vehicles when the lots are full, vms board being a possible option, and the highway department is to place more informing visitors where to call if their vehicle gets towed.

J. Farrell suggests utilizing a highway employee to monitor the parking lots on weekends to close them once they are full.

Councilman Semenza makes a MOTION to authorize 1 town employee to be stationed at Laurel House Road Saturday and Sunday 9:30 AM-5:30 PM at their current rate of pay with overtime if applicable. Seconded by Councilman Kukle.

Ayes -5- Noes -0-

Supervisor Mahoney makes a MOTION to close the bottom of Schutt Road only to local resident traffic past the public parking lot. Seconded by Councilman Reale.

Ayes -5- Noes -0-

EMPLOYEE CONTRACTS – Tabled for now, Sgt. Haines is making edits.

<u>AMBULANCE</u>-Monthly report acknowledged. (no electronic copy provided) Board acknowledges meeting to be held with Senator Hinchey's office via zoom 4/27 re: merging Prattsville, Ashland & Lexington

V. Richards informs the board that the split air unit in the living area of the ambulance building is not working, she will call Huber to have it repaired.

Discussion on new ambulance - V. Richards states the vendor was waiting for a deposit check from the town and has not yet ordered the ambulance. Supervisor Mahoney asks V. Richards to get him two configurations for a new ambulance and to get him the information to put a new RFP on the Town's website to re-bid.

Town Board gives V. Richards permission to order the uniform items that the department needs.

ASSESSOR- Monthly report acknowledged. (no electronic copy provided)

BOARD OF ASSESSMENT REVIEW conflict with Board Meeting

Supervisor Mahoney will contact the Mountain Top Library to have the 5/23/23 Town Board meeting at the library.

BUILDING/Code Enforcement -Monthly report acknowledged.

Building Inspector Monthly Report

Memo to: Supervisor and Town Board From: The Building Department

Subject: Monthly Report Date: 4/25/2023

- -2 Municipal Searches
- -6 Building permits
- -2 Certificate of Compliance

- -0 FOIL requests
- -12 Building Inspections
- -New York Flood Managers Conference
- -Property Maintenance continuing ed.
- -2 Violations
- -1 Unsafe structure
- -1 condemnation

Total Fees: \$5,061

Discussion of condemnation of property on North Lake Rd.

SIGN PERMITS

Councilman Kukle makes a MOTION to approve sign permits for Nat's Mountain House restaurant and Hotel Lilian. Seconded by Councilman Semenza.

Ayes -5-

Noes -0-

PLANNING-Monthly report acknowledged (no electronic copy provided)

Discussion on maps on file with NYCDEP now showing connections the Town believes exists on O'Hara Road.

M. Czermerys states the homeowner can ask NYCDEP to check for a connection.

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

Town Board to review resumes at the next workshop meeting.

MOUNTAIN TOP CARES COALITION (Presentation) Greener Pathways & Q & A. Director Patrick McGee states this is a recovery community program that offers non-clinical services. They offer recovery coach services to collaborate with people in the community, recovery support groups, and Narcan training. The office will be staffed with two full-time and two part-time employees.

SHORT TERM RENTALS-Short EAF form to be completed.

<u>JUSTICE COURT</u>-Monthly report acknowledged. (no electronic copy provided)

LANDFILL

Rennia & Assoc. no reply to RFP.

Supervisor Mahoney makes a MOTION to authorize Barton & Logudice for Post Closure monitoring (3 yr agreement) and to authorize the Supervisor to sign the agreement. Seconded by Councilman Semenza.

Ayes -5-

Noes -0-

Discussion on need for a new municipal agreement(s). Supervisor Mahoney adds that the Town Attorney is writing a new agreement.

IT/NYMIR

Acknowledged receipt of Cyber Security risk recommendations response sent 4/2/23.

M. Czermerys states he is working on the policies needed.

NYS DOT/TROLLY

Acknowledged receipt of proposed requests for changes from S. DeMassio, NYS DOT. Councilman Reale makes a MOTION to authorize the Supervisor to sign above. Seconded by Councilman Semenza.

Ayes -5- Noes -0-

NYS DEC

Councilman Reale makes a MOTION to authorize the Supervisor to formally request from NYSDEC to close the ice climber lot on Rte. 23A during the summer season. Seconded by Councilman Semenza.

Ayes-5- Noes -0-

Councilman Reale makes a MOTION to revise the above motion to reflect any necessary closures in the Trolley requirements to be approved by the Supervisor. Seconded by Councilman Kukle.

Ayes -5- Noes -0-

Kaaterskill Clove Visitor project: Meeting 5/10/23 @ Coppertree Restaurant 5:30-8:30pm Virtual stakeholders meeting held 3/29. Summary recd.

GRANTS/ CAPITAL PROJECT

Discussion held on hiring grant writer.

Supervisor Mahoney states the town is growing out of the existing Town Hall buildings and would like to get assistance with a plan to start first with the condition of the Quonset hut to be assessed by an engineer.

J. Kovacs states this is a professional service, so no RFPs or bids are needed.

Councilman Reale makes a MOTION to engage Margaret Irwin of River Street Planning as a consultant. Seconded by Councilman Semenza.

Ayes -5- Noes -0-

LOCAP ADA GRANT- Ack rec'd DSANY application for grant.

Councilman Kukle makes a MOTION to authorize the Supervisor to sign the grant application for DSANY. Seconded by Councilman Reale.

Ayes -5- Noes -0-

HBRT Bridge dedication 4/22. NYC DEP: Amendment to LUP (Land Use Permit) needed.

<u>CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS</u> – Acknowledged receipt of \$14,970.02 in franchise fees for 4th Qtr 2022.

CONTRACTS

Supervisor Mahoney makes a MOTION to authorize Mt Top Golden Agers and Catskill Mt Fish & Game Contracts effective 1/1/23. Seconded by Councilman Semenza.

Ayes -5- Noes -0-

Acknowledged receipt of fully executed Mt Top Golden Agers.

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

Resumes received, 1st round interviews conducted.

Supervisor Mahoney states there will be a second round of interviews with two individuals.

GREENE COUNTY – Acknowledged receipt of Resolution No. 61-10.

GREENE COUNTY SOIL/WATER: Watershed Summit 5/6/23 @ HTCS

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR- No speakers. Supervisor Mahoney would like this moved to the beginning of the agenda for future meetings.

<u>CELL TOWER</u> – Supervisor Mahoney states that work on the cell tower will be completed in two weeks and the tower will be fully operational by June of 2023.

<u>TOWN CLERK</u> – Acknowledged receipt of C. Pascucci's RMC renewal. The Town Board congratulates the Town Clerk on this designation.

CORRESPONDENCE- Acknowledged receipt of letter regarding Juror's Outreach Program.

TOWN HALL

Supervisor Mahoney makes a MOTION to authorize M. Czermerys to change two Basic Microsoft packages to Standard with a price increase. Seconded by Councilman Semenza.

Ayes -5- Noes -0-

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Supervisor Mahoney makes a MOTION to go into Executive Session at 9:34 PM to discuss the employment history of particular persons. Seconded by Councilman Reale.

Ayes -5-

L. H-P and C.P excused.

Supervisor Mahoney makes a MOTION to come out of Executive Session at 10:05 PM. Seconded by Councilman Semenza.

Noes -0-

Ayes -5- Noes -0-

No action taken.

Supervisor Mahoney makes a MOTION to adjourn at 10:05 PM. Seconded by Councilman Semenza.

Ayes -5- Noes -0-

Corina Pascucci, Town Clerk, RMC Town of Hunter